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For :COATING DEVICE AND PROCESS FOR A WET SECTION OF AN APPARATUS
FOR PRODUCTION OF A MATERIAL WEB

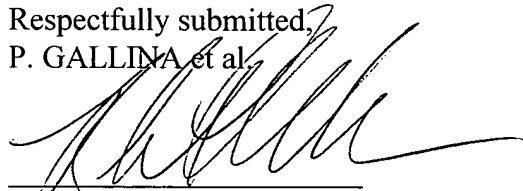
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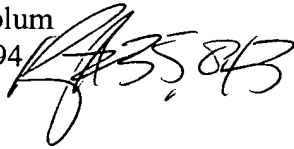
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 based upon German Application Nos. 197 47 091.2, filed October 24, 1997; 198 23 739.1, filed May 27, 1998; 198 20 516.3, filed May 8, 1998; and 297 23 289.4, filed May 06, 1998. As required by 37 C.F.R. 1.55, certified copies of the German applications have been filed in parent Application No. 09/176,962, filed October 22, 1998.

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